HOUSE BILL 2822 By Newton

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-82-307, relative to utility districts.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-82-307, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

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- (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section or any other law to the contrary, each water utility district having more than two thousand (2,000) customers in a service area located entirely or primarily within any county having a population of not less than thirteen thousand six hundred twenty-five (13,625) nor more than thirteen thousand six hundred seventy-five (13,675), according to the 1990 federal census or any subsequent federal census, shall be governed by a five (5) member board of commissioners.
- (2) Any vacancy in the office of any commissioner due to death, resignation, disability, forfeiture, expiration of term, or any other cause shall be filled in accordance with the procedures prescribed within subsections (a), (b), (m) or (n), as otherwise applicable and appropriate.
- (3) In order to maintain staggered terms, initial appointments for additional offices created by this subsection shall be made for interim terms of one (1) and two (2) years respectively.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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